

November 4, 2019

Joseph H. Hunt
Assistant Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Ave NW,
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Hunt:

We are in receipt of your letter this morning. I confirm that Hachette Book Group (“Hachette”) will be publishing an important book by an anonymous individual who is a “current or former senior official” of the Trump Administration (“Anonymous”), and that Messrs. Latimer and Urbahn represent Anonymous. Hachette is not party to any nondisclosure agreements with the U.S. government that would require any pre-publication review of this book, and Hachette routinely relies on its authors to comply with any contractual obligations they may have. Hachette has, however, made a commitment of confidentiality to Anonymous and we intend to honor that commitment. Please be assured that Hachette takes its legal responsibilities seriously and, accordingly, Hachette respectfully declines to provide you with the information your letter seeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carol F. Ross'.

Carol F. Ross
Executive Vice President,
Business Affairs & General Counsel